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REQUEST FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY (PPH) PROGRAM BETWEEN THE JPO AND THE USPTO					
Application No.:		10/593,561	First Named Inventor:	Masao NONAKA	
Filing Date:		September 20, 2006	Attorney Docket No.:	2006_1576A	
Title of the Invention:	THINIAH HORIZED COMHENI STIETECHOM SVSTEM				
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APPLICANT HEREBY REQUESTS PARTICIPATION IN THE PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY (PPH) PROGRAM AND PETITIONS TO MAKE THE ABOVE-IDENTIFIED APPLICATION SPECIAL UNDER THE PPH PROGRAM.					
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The JPO/PCT application number(s) is/are: 2004-110069, 2004-146963, 2004-1516					
The filing date of the JPO/PCT application(s) is/are: April 2, 2004, May 17, 2004, Ma I. List of Required Documents: a. A copy of the latest JPO office actions (other than "Decision to Grant a Patent"*) in the above-identified					
	JPO application(s)				
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	*It is <u>not</u> necessary to submit a copy of the "Decision to Grant a Patent" and an English translation thereof. A copy of all claims which were determined to be patentable by the JPO in the above-identified JPO				
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c.	English translations of the documents in a. and b. above along with a statement that the English				
,	translations are accurate are attached (if the documents are not in the English language).				
d.	(1) An information disclosure statement listing the documents cited in the JPO office actions				
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	Has already been filed in the above-identified U.S. application on				
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		Have already been filed in	the above-identified U.	S. application on	

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REQUEST FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY (PPH) PROGRAM BETWEEN THE JPO AND THE USPTO (continued) Application No.: 10/593,561 First Named Inventor: Masao NONAKA II. Claims Correspondence Table: Patentable Claims Claims in US Application Explanation regarding the correspondence in JPO Application 16 1 Claim 16 of U.S. Application corresponds directly to Claim 1 of Ja 2 17 Claim 17 of U.S. Application corresponds directly to Claim 2 of Ja 18 3 Claim 18 of U.S. Application corresponds directly to Claim 3 of Ja 19 4 Claim 19 of U.S. Application corresponds directly to Claim 4 of Ja 5 Claim 20 of U.S. Application corresponds directly to Claim 5 of Ja 20 21 6 Claim 21 of U.S. Application corresponds directly to Claim 6 of Ja 7 22 Claim 22 of U.S. Application corresponds directly to Claim 7 of Ja 8 23 Claim 23 of U.S. Application corresponds directly to Claim 8 of Ja 9 24 Claim 24 of U.S. Application corresponds directly to Claim 9 of Ja 25 10 Claim 25 of U.S. Application corresponds directly to Claim 10 of 11 Claim 26 of U.S. Application corresponds directly to Claim 11 of 26 27 12 Claim 27 of U.S. Application corresponds directly to Claim 12 of 3 III. All the claims in the US application sufficiently correspond to the patentable/allowable claims in the JPO application. IV. Payment of Fees:

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